

Public Health Service Act, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the mental health benefits parity provisions for an additional year.

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I now ask for its second reading and object to further proceedings on the matter.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard. The bill will receive its second reading on the next legislative day.

APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL CONFEREES

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the number of conferees appointed for H.R. 2673, the Agriculture appropriations bill for fiscal year 2004, be expanded to include the following additional members of the Senate Appropriations Committee: Senators DOMENICI, SHELBY, GREGG, CAMPBELL, HUTCHISON, DEWINE, INOUE, HOLLINGS, LEAHY, MIKULSKI, REID, and MURRAY.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2003

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, November 18. I further ask unanimous consent that following the prayer and the pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Thomas Dorr, with the time until 10:30 a.m. equally divided between the chairman and ranking member of the Agriculture Committee, or their designees; provided, that at 10:30 a.m., the Senate proceed to the two cloture votes in relation to the nomination; that following the two votes, and regardless of the outcome of either vote, the Senate return to legislative session and resume consideration of H.R. 2861, the VA-HUD appropriations bill. I further ask unanimous consent that the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. for the weekly party luncheons.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, tomorrow the Senate will consider the nomination of Thomas Dorr to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development and to be a member of the board of directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation. At 10:30 a.m., the Senate will proceed to two cloture votes in relation to the nomination. Those two votes will be the first votes of tomorrow's session.

Following the two cloture votes, the Senate will resume consideration of the VA-HUD appropriations bill. It is the hope and expectation of the majority leader that we will be able to dispose of the remaining amendments quickly and move to vote on passage of the bill.

For the remainder of the day, the Senate will consider any legislative or executive items that are available for action. Last week, we reached a unanimous consent agreement limiting the debate on the nomination of Robert Clark to be a lieutenant general in the Army, and the Senate may take up the nomination tomorrow. In addition, the Senate may take up appropriations conference reports as they become available. Therefore, Senators should expect rollcall votes throughout the day tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:41 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, November 18, 2003, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate November 17, 2003:

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

FRANCIS MULVEY, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2007, VICE WAYNE O. BURKES, RESIGNED.

W. DOUGLAS BUTTREY, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2008, VICE LINDA JOAN MORGAN, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JAMES C. OBERWETTER, OF TEXAS, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA.

GLYN T. DAVIES, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, FOR THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR DURING HIS TENURE OF SERVICE AS THE POLITICAL DIRECTOR FOR THE UNITED STATES PRESIDENCY OF THE G-8.

CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING

GAY HART GAINES, OF FLORIDA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 31, 2010, VICE RITAJEAN HARTUNG BUTTERWORTH, TERM EXPIRING.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 531 AND 1552:

To be lieutenant colonel

ROBERT G. CATES III, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 1552:

To be lieutenant colonel

MARY J. QUINN, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR A REGULAR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

To be lieutenant colonel

CHRISTOPHER C. ERICKSON, 0000
MARK A. MCCLAIN, 0000

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

CHERYL KYLE, 0000
TERRY C. WASHAM, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be colonel

JOHN D. MCGOWAN II, 0000
KENNETH E. NETTLES, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be colonel

VERNAL G. ANDERSON, 0000
DONALD J. KERR, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL SPECIALIST CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

To be colonel

GASTON P. BATHALON, 0000
STEVEN D. HUNTE, 0000
PAULA J. RUTAN, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

WILLIAM B. CARR JR., 0000

I NOMINATE THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUALS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

JOHN E. ATWOOD, 0000
CRAIG B. COLLIER, 0000
WILLIAM E. ZOESCH, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

CHERYL KYLE, 0000
TERRY C. WASHAM, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY VETERINARY CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

To be colonel

MICHAEL A. BULEY, 0000
DAVID S. ROLFE, 0000
PAUL W. SCHMIDT, 0000
DAVID R. SCHUCKENBROCK, 0000
PETER J. SCHULTHEISS, 0000
JOHN P. SKVORAK, 0000
STANLEY E. SMITH, 0000
BOB E. WALTERS, 0000
GARY M. ZAUCHA, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY NURSE CORPS AND FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT (IDENTIFIED BY AN ASTERISK(*)) UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624, 531, AND 3064:

To be colonel

JULIA A. ADAMS, 0000
CARYL J. DOWELL, 0000
ELLEN E. FORSTER, 0000
HOGSTON S. HAGA, 0000
MARGARET A. HAWTHORNE, 0000
BARBARA J. HECTOR, 0000
JOSEPH J. HELMINIAK, 0000
TEMPSIE L. JONES, 0000
RONALD S. KEEN, 0000
JAMES M. LARSEN, 0000
PATTI A. *LEDERER, 0000
STEPHEN W. LOMAX, 0000
CONSTANCE J. MOORE, 0000
JOHN H. MORSE, 0000
WAYNE C. NYGREN, 0000
DIANA L. RUZICKA, 0000
FATEMEH T. STRITTMATTER, 0000
JANET L. WILSON, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS AND FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT (IDENTIFIED BY AN ASTERISK(*)) UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624, 531, AND 3064:

To be colonel

STEPHEN G. BEARDSLEY III, 0000
FRED H. BROWN JR., 0000
WAYNE W. CLARK, 0000
KAYLENE M. CURTIS, 0000
MARK K. DAVIS, 0000
HAROLD C. *DICKENS, 0000
BEAU J. FREUND, 0000
DAVID E. FULBRIGHT, 0000
JOHN A. GIDDENS, 0000
DONALD L. GOODE, 0000
RONALD A. HAMILTON, 0000
CHRISTOPHER J. HARRINGTON, 0000
MARK W. HEGERLE, 0000
SHEILA A. HOBBS, 0000
RICHARD N. JOHNSON, 0000
GEORGE W. KORCH, 0000
MICHAEL J. KRUKAR, 0000
TIMOTHY E. LAMB, 0000
VASEAL M. LEWIS, 0000
ANGEL L. LUGO, 0000
COLEEN K. MARTINEZ, 0000
WENDY L. MARTINSON, 0000
REGINALD A. MILLER, 0000
ULMONT C. NANTON JR., 0000
ANTONIO F. REYES, 0000
JAMES S. RICE, 0000
MARTHA A. SANDERS, 0000
EDWARD R. SCHWALTER III, 0000
JOHN C. SHERO, 0000
PATRICK O. WILSON, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 531:

To be lieutenant colonel

GARY R. MCMEEN, 0000